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Concerning Diseased Animals.

Holt county is distinctly a farming and stock-growing community, and for that reason, her people are always interested in anything and everything that benefits people engaged in such occupations. Stockraising is, of course, a more or less hazardous business because of the various diseases that rage amongst live stock. Our legislature has from time to time enacted laws to assist farmers in stamping out diseases amongst their stock, and if these were observed strictly, great benefit would ensue to stockraisers everywhere. One of the laws that we have heard said is not strictly observed by our people is that requiring the owners of diseased hogs to notify all persons owning or keeping swine on any adjoining premises of the existence of such disease as soon as the fact is known. The penalty for not having obeyed this law is a fine of not less than \$10 nor more than \$50 for each and every offense. How many of our readers can just now recall having been notified by some one as required by this law of disease amongst his hogs? Another offense is that of neglecting to either burn or bury two feet deep upon the premises where the same died, within 24 hours after they die, all hogs dying of disease. Do all our farmers observe this law strictly? We hope so, but have heard it hinted that some do not. Failure to do so, subjects one to heavy fine. Another violation of law is the knowingly selling of any diseased hog affected with what is commonly known as hog cholera, without disclosing to the purchaser the fact that such hog is so diseased. This also is punishable quite severely, if proven. Another unlawful act, in this connection, is that of burying the carcass of a hog that has died of disease, in or immediately adjacent to any water course, ravine, or slough leading through or onto other premises. This also is punishable with a heavy fine. Neither shall the owner of any such diseased hog or hogs, sell the same, or give the same away, or remove the same off his own premises, upon any account or excuse whatever. Neither can any one drive, or bring any diseased cattle, hogs, or horses, or mules into or through any part of this state, or suffer the same to run at large, if already in the state, or use or tie the same of his own premises, or sell, or trade, or offer for sale, or trade, any such animal, knowing the same to be diseased. A strong law, similar to this, applies also to sheep. In this state, and the penalties are severe as to the care that shall be taken with diseased animals, of all these varieties of live stock.

Going to Be Married.

An early spring event that is promised in which many of the friends and relatives of Charles Whitner Thomas, a former Oregon lad, will be interested, is the announcement of his having found "the apple of his eye," and that he and Miss Elsa Grau, of Sacramento, California, will become husband and wife, with the coming of the robins.

The groom-elect is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Thomas, formerly of this city and where the groom-elect was born in the house now owned by Fred Brundage. He is a graduate of Stanford and Harvard Universities, has a bright prospect in his profession, the law, and is associated with his father in the maintenance of law offices in Woodland and Sacramento. He is a member of the city board of education of Woodland, and considered well informed in educational matters. He is also a major in the national guard, takes an active interest in military affairs, is authority on such matters, and is one of the most popular officers in the service. He is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Thomas, of that city.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman H. Grau, of Sacramento. The Grau family is one of the oldest and most highly respected in the capital city. Mr. Grau has the reputation of being one of the leading and most successful business men and Mrs. Grau and her charming daughter are leaders in social, musical and intellectual circles.

Here's to you, Charles; may there be no slip betwixt cup and lip, and may you both live long and happy.

WORK OF THE GRIM REAPER.

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"When Mother's Gone."

MRS. JOHN G. COWAN.

Our pen is called upon to chronicle the passing away of one of the most highly esteemed old settlers, who helped to form society, the church and the school of days long ago. Mrs. John G. Cowan.

Mary Elizabeth Gresham was born in Lincoln county, Kentucky, on the 14th day of July, 1828, and at an early age came to Missouri.

On the 20th day of November, 1845, Mr. John G. Cowan led her to the marriage altar and she became his wife and the sharer of his burdens and successes, until six years ago, last October, when the union was broken by the death of her husband.

They lived near Fillmore, in Andrew county, Missouri, where they were married, until 1858, when they removed to Nodaway county and settled near Graham. In 1860, just after the close of the Civil War, they came to their new home near New Point, in Holt county. There they lived, reared their large family, and by dint of effort they built up one of the very best farms in Holt county. Here they continued to live and prosper till advancing age admonished them to cease the strenuous life of the farm and seek the leisure and rest of a residence in town. But with the exception of the past ten or twelve years, spent in Oregon, Missouri, Mother Cowan's days were lived on the farm and in close touch with nature.

Mrs. Cowan was the mother of eleven children, seven sons and four daughters.

One daughter and three sons are numbered with the dead, while four sons and three daughters survive to mourn "Mother's Going."

The living sons are: Charles, of Oregon; Bryant, of Chicago; John E., Salt Lake City, Utah; and Robert G., of Maitland.

The daughters are: Mrs. Flora Cishy, of Green Bay, Wisconsin; Mrs. Carrie Atkinson, of Kalamazoo, Michigan; and Mrs. Daisy Higgins, of Idaho Falls, Idaho.

Her son, B. G., and family, on their way to reside in California, stopped over for a few days' visit with "Mother," only two days before she suffered a paralytic stroke. It would seem that a kind Providence timed those two events to permit mother and son to meet again before a much greater distance might make such a meeting impossible. Just as they halted for a little on their journey to milder climate on the Pacific Coast, she made ready and took up her tour to the "Better Country."

It was on Monday, January 6, 1913, that the messenger benumbed the once vital forces of her body and she gradually grew weaker day by day, till the end came in peaceful sleep, early on the morning of Wednesday, January 15, 1913, and the years of her early pilgrimage numbered 84 years, 5 months and 1 day.

The deceased was a charter member of the New Point Presbyterian church, September 8, 1872, and continued her membership there till September 14, 1902, when she took her letter to the Oregon Presbyterian church.

A little over thirty years ago, the writer of these lines came for the first time under the hospitable roof of the Cowan home, and in all these years he has had no occasion to modify his high estimate of the kindly nature and unostentatious cordiality of this "Mother in Israel." Though blessed with an abundance of this world's goods, every one, rich or poor, received a gracious welcome to her home.

The funeral services were held at her late home in Oregon, Thursday, January 16, at 9:30 a. m., and were in charge of her pastor, Rev. T. A. Claggett, ably assisted by the choir of the Presbyterian church. At the close of the service at the house the body was brought back, no, not to the old home and house, but in sight of it and on a part of the old home place, the New Point cemetery, where kindly hands had made ready a visiting place for the tenement of clay where, after a number of Scripture quotations touching death and the grave, by her former pastor, Rev. T. D. Roberts, her remains were left to await the trumpet call of the First Resurrection, 1 Thessalonians, 4:16, 17, with beautiful flowers, the expressions of love and esteem from many friends, decorating the grave. All the children, except John, were present during her illness and at the funeral.

Since mother is the centre of the home, the family, the community, no wonder the Scottish poet put into song:

"When Mither's Gane,"
"It mak's change in a' thing roon.
When mither's gane,
The cat has less contented croon,
The kettle has a doolie tune,
There's naething has sae blythe a soon,
Since mither's gane.

Oh, lonely house! Oh, empty chair!
The mither's gane.

Mrs. Sarah Ramsay and Mrs. Lucy Ramsay were St. Joseph visitors, Saturday last.

Yet fancy often sees her there
With a smile she used to wear,
While brings our heart-mat to despair
To think she's gane."

Resolutions of Respect

adopted by the Missionary Society of the Presbyterian church.

Whereas, our heavenly Father has called from our midst, to that rest that remaineth for the people of God, our beloved sister, Mrs. Mary Cowan; therefore be it

Resolved, that the Missionary society has lost a faithful member, whose pleasant companionship and helpfulness will be a pleasant memory to us.

Resolved, that to the bereaved family and relatives, we extend deep sympathy. May they look to Him, who comforteth us in all our tribulations.

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the records of this society, a copy sent to the family and one to the Holt County Sentinel for publication.

MRS. T. A. CLAGGETT.

MRS. D. M. MARTIN.

MRS. A. VANBUREN.

Committee.

He Came Back.

After an absence of 40 years from the old home town he came back Friday evening of last week and stayed until Tuesday noon, and was reluctant to go home, but business called him, who, why, Lon Hollinger, of course, known at one time to every man, woman, child, cat and dog in Oregon. And to say that he was welcome does not begin to express it.

His parents, Isaac Hollinger and wife came here from Kokomo, Indiana, about 1864, and lived here up until the time of their death. In 1874, both dying within two months of each other. Then their uncle, the Meyer brothers, came from Ohio and took the children back home with them. There were five children, four boys and one girl, four of whom were born here. Lon, the subject of this sketch, having been born in Ohio, coming here with his parents when about three years of age.

When Lon left here he was taken to Steamtown, Ohio, about two miles from North Hampton, and about nine miles from Springfield, this section of the state being great for manufacturing, and especially working in wood, bentwood, fiddles, plowhandles, etc., where Lon learned the trade, with his uncles, who had the largest plant in that section of the state. He stayed with them until he was 22 years old. He then went to Springfield, and when about 25 commenced traveling out of there for the Whiteley Manufacturing Co., manufacturers of mowers, agricultural and garden implements of all kinds, and well known over the entire United States.

His territory was from the Atlantic to Pacific, and he stayed with this firm over 20 years, but changed firms recently and is now traveling for the Columbia Planter Co., of the same place, his territory embracing as large a scope as with the first company. He is a stockholder in the firm he is now traveling for.

The way Lon happened to come here this time was that he was in Kansas City, Friday, the tail end of the week, and business being quiet, he commenced thinking of the old town, and the more he thought about it, the more he wanted to come, so he left his luggage and hiked for the first train, headed to Oregon. He was here in Oregon, 25 years ago, on his bridal trip, coming up from St. Joseph, where he was visiting a brother, Charles, who is now dead, but he remained only one day, then being limited. His sister, Ida, lives in Chicago, and is a widow. He has two brothers living in Ohio. His half brother, Anthony, is dead.

He has a wonderfully retentive memory, recognizing all the old landmarks. In fact, could tell you, and correctly too, where everybody lived when he was here 40 years ago. He also remembered the names: George Wolfe, George Willard, Joe Jackson, Ira Vess, Frazer, Frank and Ed. Allen; Duck Cook, Davis and Will Broadbeck, Hamp and Tom Price, Louis Luckhardt, Rube Jackson, Fred, Dick, Ed., and Bob Markland; Jink Bevan, Frank Hawkins, John and Bill Ball, John B. Collins, Sig Hall, Charley and Will Zook, Jack and "Pony" Reed, Chris, Albert and "Sandy" G. W. Kunkel, Lo Watson, and many, many others. We can truthfully say that he could recall the names of every one that lived in Oregon when he did. Many of these are dead, and a large number have removed, but Lon never failed to ask about one and all. He is married, but has no children living.

He extends a cordial invitation to every resident of Oregon, should they ever be in Springfield, to call and see him. He says just ask any one and they will direct you to his home—says he is as well known there as he used to be known in Oregon. His address is 320 South Center Street, Springfield, Ohio. Come again, and come often, Lon, we all enjoyed your visit.

Mrs. Sarah Ramsay and Mrs. Lucy Ramsay were St. Joseph visitors, Saturday last.

Dies From Burns.

Mrs. Emma Strickler, widow of the late Oliver Strickler, living some seven miles southeast of Oregon, died in extreme agony on Thursday of last week, January 16th, 1913, as the result of burns.

Mrs. Strickler early Thursday morning arose and went to her kitchen to make the morning fire, and used coal oil, which she poured on some coals that were still alive in the stove, unknown to her, and an explosion immediately followed, the flames reaching up and igniting her clothing, and in a moment her entire body was aflame.

Byrd Hulatt, a brother, was soon at her side and fought bravely to save his sister, but to no avail, and he had two of the fingers of his right hand, and his right arm were severely burned.

Mrs. Strickler's entire body and her face were frightfully burned and kind neighbors and with the aid of a physician everything possible was done to save her life. She lingered in great agony until 3 o'clock the same day, when she died.

Emma Hulatt, the daughter of J. W. and Lucinda Hulatt, was born in Holt county, Missouri, October 10, 1896, and grew to womanhood and spent the 16 years, 3 months and 6 days of her life in the county of her birth. At the age of 19 she was married to Oliver R. Strickler, of Holcomb, Missouri, on December 20, 1885. This union continued but a little more than three years, when she was left a widow by the sudden death of her husband, the father of her only child, now Mrs. Alma R. Conway, of Garden City, Missouri, whom she leaves with one grandchild and three brothers to mourn her sad fate. Her father and mother, two brothers and one sister preceded into the world beyond. Her mother, who had been an invalid for years, needing the care and attention of her daughter, was buried just two months, the day before Mrs. Strickler was buried.

On Saturday, January 18, the funeral was held in the Highland church, and was attended by a large concourse of people, friends and neighbors, to pay their tribute of respect to her memory, and to attest their sorrow at the tragic ending of a life that seemed full of promise for many years to come.

The services were conducted by Rev. T. D. Roberts, of New Point, who, for the fourth time was called to officiate at funerals in the Hulatt family, and three of those occasions being sudden deaths. The text chosen for this calamity was, 1st Kings, 19:12, "But the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire still small voice."

The body was laid beside others of the family in the Highland cemetery, to await the call of the Master to arise. The deceased had not attached herself to any church organization, but she had confessed her faith in Christ some six years ago.

A strange fatality seems to have followed this family. Her husband, Oliver Strickler, was suddenly stricken, and died instantly some 20 years ago. Her brother, John Hulatt, was killed by the cars near Nodaway station, August 14, 1892. Her sister-in-law, Mrs. Albert Hulatt was burned to death November 27, 1897, while making apple butter.

Presbyterian Church Notes.

The largest audience, at a regular service for a year, was present last Sunday morning. May the attendance of our people on the worship of God increase and our hearts be filled with His love.

The usual services will be held next Sunday, except at night, when there will be a union service at the Christian church. Let us all attend and make it a service of worship and Christian fellowship.

A Young Men's Bible class—a new class—has been organized in the Sunday school with Prof. Powell as teacher. Young men, both single and married, are cordially invited to join this class for a study of Old Testament History under a well-qualified and inspiring teacher. Come and learn and enjoy yourself.

It is hoped that some of our people can go to St. Joseph Saturday to hear Dr. Robert E. Speer, the world-famous missionary leader, who speaks at a luncheon at the Y. M. C. A. at 1 o'clock and to a mass meeting at the Westminster Presbyterian church, Twenty-first and Jude, at 7:30 p. m.

Ministers' Alliance.

At a meeting of the Ministers' Alliance, last week, the annual election of officers was held and Rev. G. W. Weidenmier was elected president and Rev. T. A. Claggett, secretary for the coming year. It was decided to hold a union meeting on the fourth Sunday night in each month. The first of the meetings will be in the Christian church next Sunday night. The singers of the various churches are asked to take their places in the choir and assist in the singing. These meetings are for the promotion of Christian fellowship and a cordial invitation is extended to everybody in town.

T. A. CLAGGETT, Sec.

Educational News.

BY EARL A. ROCK, CO. SUPT.

Professor Geo. M. McJannet, Chief Clerk of the Department of Education, reports through the Missouri School Journal that the attendance throughout the state for the year 1911-12 is 1,539,265 days greater than any of the preceding years. This means that 15,000 children were in school 100 days, or 10,000 were in school 150 days last year. The report shows a decrease in the enumeration, for the same period, of 45,400 children. The increase is doubtless due to the effects of the new apportionment law. The State school money is apportioned one-half on the number of teachers employed and one-half on the total attendance. Holt County did not have a very large increase in attendance, but she received over three thousand dollars more money than she did the preceding year.

Teachers and district clerks should make their non-attendance reports to the proper authorities and if possible have all pupils in school.

Several of our rural schools have just their approval as a result of the communities and the boards not complying with the new requirements for approval. The following have lost their approval: Bagby, Blair, Richland, Tripp, and New Liberty, Benton, Union, Squaw Creek, and Slaty are approved schools.

Occasionally a district is indifferent as to the approval, and think that unless immediate returns come in dollars and cents, the schools just as efficient without an approval. Frequently the question, "What does the approval mean?" is asked. It means that better educational opportunities are given pupils attending an approved school, a high standard of teaching maintained, necessary equipment provided, adequate, well-lighted and heated buildings, furniture, well preserved and suited to the needs and size of children, suitable, well-kept grounds, and results obtained as is shown in the development of pupils are of a high standard.

The requirements for approval may be found in the back of the State Course of Study. Persons interested should borrow the course from the teacher or write the County Superintendent for one.

The National Municipal League announces that it will offer two prizes to high school students, for the first and second best essays on "The Milk Supply in My City." First prize, thirty dollars, second, twenty dollars. For information write the County Superintendent.

Short Course in Agriculture and the Rural Community Life Conference will be held at the Northwest Normal, Feb. 10 to 15 inclusive. Free tickets will be given to persons applying for them before Feb. 1.

Our next teachers' meeting will be held at Craig, Saturday, Feb. 23. This is one of the required meetings. Teachers are expected to attend. Parents and pupils are invited.

Miss Blanche Criswell and pupils at Dale Center are enthusiastic in their work. Miss Criswell has a ninth grade class of three boys and one girl.

Mrs. J. R. Minton and pupils are doing good work. Much interest is being taken in the study of literature. Several new dictionaries have been purchased by the pupils.

Electricity Will Do It.

Powerful electric locomotives will haul the shipping through the locks of the Panama Canal. The locomotives will run on a raised track beside the canal and will receive their electric energy from a hydro-electric plant being built in connection with the Gatun dam. The gates of the mighty locks, weighing many tons, will be opened and closed by powerful electric motors in the remarkable time of one minute and forty-eight seconds. The canal will be lighted by electricity and electric power will be used for many other purposes in connection with the work.

To supply the power to operate the gates and sluice valves in the locks, and to furnish current for the monster electric locomotives which are to tow the steamships through the locks, a great hydro-electric station is being erected adjacent to the spillway in Gatun dam, equipped with three large water turbines and three 2000 kilowatt generators, with suitable exciters and other auxiliaries. There will be enough water from the storage in Lake Gatun to warrant the installation of 6000 kilowatts, though in the dry season it will be necessary to draw upon the storage. Altogether it is figured that for this electric work, seven per cent of the minimum water system of the canal will be required. A part of the electricity is to be used for lighting the line of the canal. There will be concrete lamp-posts 100 feet apart throughout the entire length of each lock wall. Altogether, 7000 lamps will be installed at the locks.

The county court was in session this week for a few days, to receive the assessor's books, and make the customary examination of the work done by the assessor.

O. H. S. Notes.

School is progressing rapidly under the present corps of teachers. Pupils are beginning to realize that school is drawing to a close. Most of them have buckled down to solid study. We had comparatively few failures the first semester. It seems to take some Freshmen the first semester to realize that High school is not a joke. We did not have the usual semester examinations, but instead we have had monthly tests in most of the subjects. Although some of the teachers could not get away from the old custom and gave mid-year examinations.

If thirteen is an unlucky number as most people think, the present senior class is certainly in for hard luck, as there are thirteen in the class and they graduate in nineteen thirteen.

Jay Petree, of the Freshmen class, entertained the Ancient and Medieval and Modern History classes with his postcard reflector, Tuesday of this week.

The Adelphean Literary Society met and elected their officers for the last semester. They elected their officers: Hansel Murray, president; Neile Prussman, secretary.

The Zetosophian Literary Society met Monday and elected the following officers: William Meyer, president; Dorothy Kurtz, secretary; Kathleen Proud, pianist. The two societies realize that there has not been enough heavy work done in the past, but they will try to improve the programs in the future. The Zetosophians will give their program Thursday night, January 30.

Friday, January 17, the students thoroughly enjoyed a lecture given by Dr. Otto Krieger, President of the Warrenton, Central Wesleyan College. He gave the pupils a very interesting talk on the importance of being thorough in their English, telling them how much could be expressed in one English word. For instance he said that American soldiers understand that "mount" means to get on their horses, while if a German was saying this he would use two words and a Hollander would use three words.

On Tuesday of this week we enjoyed Mr. J. H. Murray's talk at chapel on "Farm Improvements and My Trip to the Farmers' Convention at Columbia."

Mr. Powell has secured the following speakers for chapel: Thursday, January 23, Dr. Thatcher will lecture on "Contagious Diseases." Tuesday, January 28, Mr. Geo. Murray will lecture on "Horticulture." Thursday, January 30, Dr. Whitmer will lecture on "The Care of the Teeth." Visitors are always welcome and are especially welcome on chapel days, which are Tuesday and Thursday of each week at 10:30 a. m.

At some time in the future there will be a spelling match given instead of the literary, which will be between the older people of the town who used the old "Blue Back Speller" and the present day pupils who use the modern speller.

Mr. Powell has a commercial arithmetic class who would be glad to solve any practical problems sent to them.

The Misses Anne Kinzie, Neile Prussman and Lydia Acton, and Messrs. John Kinzie and Will Prussman have rented the house Mrs. Marsh recently vacated, and will be "at home" to their friends on the northwest side of the schoolhouse square.

Loses \$5,000 By Fire.

W. C. Smallwood, a former Oregon boy, had bad luck, from a fire at Excelsior Springs, this state, Monday of this week, January 20, where he is conducting a transfer line. He had 15 head of horses burn to death, when the building in which they were kept, caught fire. Several vehicles and an automobile were also destroyed. The loss was between four and five thousand dollars. We understand he carried \$2000 insurance. He has the sympathy of many in Oregon and vicinity.

—Clint Leverich had a fine horse, die, one day, last week.

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